

**EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL OCTOBER 13 2014 85 N. MARKET ST. 7 PM**

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order, present were Atty. Beagle, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Figley, Mr. Tyger and Mrs. Wisser. Also present was Manager Monteleone, Law Director Dave Powers and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes from the regular meeting of September 22 and the SPRC Committee meeting of September 23 were approved on a motion by Mr. Figley, seconded by Mr. Cohen. The September department reports were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen seconded by Mr. Tyger. All in favor. There were no agenda items. At this point Fire Chief Josh Brown introduced his department officers, Asst. Chief Tim Griffith, Asst. Chief Rick Gorby, Captain Denny Griffith, Lt. Brian Rutledge and Lt. Josh Foster. Manager Monteleone stated he is pleased with the transition of the new Fire Chief. Monteleone then presented John Jurjavcic a plaque commemorating his retirement after 26 years from the Fire Department. There were no agenda items.

**CLERK:** Clerk Misti Martin stated the Architectural Design Board will meet Thursday October 16 at 6pm and that Trick or Treat will be held Thursday Oct. 30 from 6 to 7 pm with the parade following at 7:30 and the party at the Moose after.

**MAYOR:** Mayor Zuch thanked everyone for their help with the Historical Society Apple Butter Days. She also reminded everyone to vote for the upcoming street levy renewal. She stated Manager Monteleone has had the Park crew start setting off bottle rockets at the park to try to scare away the geese and that he is going to look into a permit from ODNR to crack the eggs in the spring. She we also need to notify the residents to not feed the geese and if they continue to do so we may need legislation prohibiting it. Mrs. Wisser asked if there was a sign stating not to feed them and Monteleone said no. Mr. Figley stated he lives by the pond and that the geese didn't come until late this year, he said after speaking to many people he feels the only way to get rid of them is to kill them, John Herbert stated you can get permits to do that. Mrs. Wisser stated we need a sign saying not to feed them.

**MANAGER:** Manager Monteleone stated that he has received notice from FOP and Teamsters for wage reopener and he would like volunteers from council. Atty. Beagle, Mr. Cohen and Mr. Tyger said they would like to work with him on that. He has been meeting with Atty. Powers regularly and he will be taking a couple nuisance property owners to court soon. The new light pole has been set on North Ave. and Market St. He stated he spoke with Terry Leach from Amp Ohio and the new rate for the gas aggregate will be coming soon. There is legislation for the walking trail extension. Mr. Cohen asked exactly where the right of way is and Monteleone said they know approximately but there will be a survey but it is five to six feet wide. Mr. Cohen asked if the property owners have been notified and Monteleone said he hasn't spoken with them. Mr. Cohen said they should be notified as some of the residents have landscaping and porches that go right up to where the trail will be. Monteleone said this will be the first reading of the legislation and it will be in the news paper and Atty. Beagle stated she didn't want it to be a surprise to anyone. Mr. Cohen stated there in an ordinance requiring property owners to maintain sidewalks; he asked where the trail would fall into that and who is responsible for maintaining it. Monteleone stated he felt the Village would be responsible. Atty. Powers said he would research it but he felt there would be a waiver of liability because it would be used for recreational use. Monteleone stated the water department did a very good job on a manhole replacement. He also said he has started the mural on the Municipal Building. He also said the police had a very successful drug interdiction last week.

**LAW DIRECTOR:** Atty. Powers stated he meets regularly with the manager and they are filing property complaints with the court. He said he met with a company that has been leasing ground in the area. It has been a delayed process however they are now moving forward.

**STREET:** Mr. Figley stated he hasn't heard from anyone as far as suggestions for the paving next year and also that he would appreciate any volunteers to pass out fliers for the upcoming Street Levy.

**SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEM: NO REPORT**

**DEVELOPMENT:** Mr. Elzer said the Historical Society did a great job with the Apple butter.

**THERE WAS NO UTILITY OF FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

**VISITORS:** Mary Anne Tyger, John & Dot Herbert, Mark Walker, Jerry Coblentz, Dianna Elzer, John Jurjavic, Pam Figley, Chief Kevin Dickey, Larry & Terry Ward, Rick & Karen Gorby, John & Bonnie Davis, Chief Josh Brown, Denny Griffith, Josh Foster, Tim Griffith, Brian Rutledge and Katie White.

**LEGISLATION:** Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 14-2014 for a third reading and made a motion that it be read by title only, seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to make supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2014.** Atty. Beagle called for a vote on Ord. 14-2014. Passed unanimously. Atty. Beagle introduced Ord. 15-2014 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only. **An ordinance to accept grants from agencies of the State of Ohio for the purpose of upgrading the community biking/walking trail.**

**ADJOURN:** Atty. Beagle made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

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**MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK**

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